

In the Claims:

Kindly rewrite the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) ~~Endpiece~~ An endpiece integrated into a core for a reel of material, ~~of the type the endpiece~~ comprising a cylindrical part engageable in ~~the~~ said core, ~~and a~~ collar that bears against ~~the~~ an adjacent face of the endpiece, ~~having and~~ a projecting overhanging appendage, the said projecting appendage (10e) being provided along its length with a guiding retention groove (10d) ~~able to act as a guide path, characterized in that it engages in combination~~ with a guide (11—12—15) formed on ~~the a~~ bracket (3) supporting the reel (6) of material adjacent to ~~the a~~ dispenser housing (1), and ~~in that the wherein~~ said guide (11—12—15) is on ~~the an~~ inside of the bracket (3) on ~~the a~~ side on which ~~it the guide~~ can accept the reel of material (6) ~~and a drum (5) of the corresponding cutting device, and in that wherein~~ the guide (11—12—15) has ~~special~~ slightly raised lands forming and defining a channel ~~able to accommodate the appendage (10e) of the endpiece for the passage and retention of the endpiece and is continued by a part that accommodates the endpiece after insertion of the appendage in the guide.~~

2. (Currently Amended) ~~Endpiece~~ The combination according to Claim 1, ~~characterized in that wherein~~ the guide (11) comprises a base (11a) which is continued on one side by a vertical leg (11b) defining a slot (11e) shaped as a channel for the passage and retention of the endpiece, and ~~in that~~, along ~~the an~~ outline of the leg (11b) and of the base (11a), ~~the a~~ central part of the guide (11g) has a slightly raised land whose width corresponds to ~~the a~~ width of the groove formed on the appendage of the endpiece.

3. (Currently Amended) ~~Endpiece~~ The combination according to Claim 2, ~~characterized in that the wherein~~ a configuration of the slot is of a bayonet design with a vertical part and a horizontal or appreciably inclined part (11d) in ~~the a~~ thickness of the base, and ~~in that the a~~ neck (11e) formed between the vertical leg and ~~the a~~ nose (11f) in ~~the an~~ upper part of the base (11a) allows the appendage (10e) of the endpiece to pass through.

4. (Currently Amended) ~~Endpiece-~~The combination according to Claim 3, ~~characterized in that the~~wherein a lower part of the base has an oblique lip (11h), on ~~the an~~an outward side, while ~~the line a surface (11m) on the an~~a surface (11m) on the an other side of the central part is horizontal.

5. (Currently Amended) ~~Endpiece-~~The combination according to Claim 2, ~~characterized in that~~wherein the guide (11) is made in a fixed manner, being shaped directly by being moulded with the bracket (3) ~~concerned~~.

6. (Currently Amended) ~~Endpiece-~~The combination according to Claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~wherein the guide (12) is made in the form of a swinging flap between two support blocks (13—14) projecting from and moulded with the brackets (3), and ~~in that the flap~~guide (12) is in the form of a channel with a slot (12a) in the a thickness of the flap and, a projecting ~~form land (12b) whose width is exactly equal to the a~~land (12b) whose width is exactly equal to the a width of the groove formed in the appendage of the endpiece.

7. (Currently Amended) The combination ~~Endpiece-~~according to Claim 6, ~~characterized in that~~wherein the flap guide (12) ~~produced in this way~~ rotates about an axis (15) between the two support blocks (13—14), with a slight gap between it ~~the flap~~the flap and ~~the an~~an adjacent face of the bracket (3) in question, and ~~in that the front~~the front visible faces (13a—13b) of the two blocks (13—14) ~~supporting the flap guide can act as bearing faces for the a~~supporting the flap guide can act as bearing faces for the a discoidal part of the endpiece.

8. (Currently Amended) ~~Endpiece-~~The combination according to Claim 7, ~~characterized in that~~wherein ~~in the an~~in the an initial positioning phase, the flap is swung away, and ~~its a~~its a bottom face of the flap (12d) contacts the a wall of the bracket (3), and ~~in that the insertion of the~~the insertion of the appendage (10e) of the endpiece (10) into the flap guide (12) ~~causes its the~~causes its the discoidal part to contact the front bearing faces (12a—14a) of the two blocks (13—14) positioned on either side of the flap guide and thus pivots the ~~said flap~~said flap to the vertical until the endpiece (10) has reached the bottom, and ~~in that the connection and engagement produced between the flap guide, owing to the rib formed by its inward land, and the groove in the appendage of the endpiece causes, by this engagement, the flap to pivot as the endpiece descends.~~

9. (Currently Amended) ~~Endpiece-~~The combination according to Claim 7, ~~characterized in that wherein~~ the lower part of the ~~flap~~-guide has an oblique lip, on the outward side ~~of a central part~~, while ~~the line-surface~~ on ~~the an~~ other side of the central part is horizontal.

10. (Currently Amended) ~~Endpiece-~~The combination according to Claim 1, ~~characterized in that wherein~~ the ~~means-guide~~ (15) is pivoted on ~~the an~~ inner bracket (3) supporting the reel of material adjacent to the dispenser housing, against two lugs (16—17)-fixed or moulded to the ~~said~~-bracket, these lugs having openings (16a—17a)-allowing ~~the~~-engagement of two pins (15a—15b)-formed and situated in opposition on the said ~~means-guide~~(15), and ~~in that~~ the ~~means-guide~~ (15) is U-shaped with an open zone (15e)-directed upwards for the insertion of the appendage (10e)-of the endpiece (10)-and its closed portion (15d) ~~is~~ directed downwards, the ~~means-guide~~ (15)-being inclined at an angle, and the two pins (15a—15b)-being situated on ~~the~~ outer edges (15e—15f) of the ~~said meansguide~~, and ~~in that~~ the ~~means-guide~~ contains a slot (15g) in its central portion continuing from ~~the an~~ access opening (15e)-for the guided insertion of the endpiece (10)-by its appendage, and thus for ~~the~~-installation of the reel of material.

11. (Currently Amended) ~~Endpiece-~~The combination according to Claim 10, ~~characterized in that the wherein~~ inside faces (15h—15m) defining the slot (15g) constitute ~~the a~~ guide path for ~~the endpiece, particularly for~~ the appendage (10e)-and for its guiding and retention groove (10d), and ~~in that~~ the width of ~~the a~~ lower inside face (15h) is ~~such as to be~~ substantially less than ~~the a~~ dimension of the grove, and ~~in that the an~~ other, upper, inside face (15m) is narrower.

12. (Currently Amended) ~~Endpiece-~~The combination according to Claim 10, ~~characterized in that wherein~~ the pivoting of the ~~means-guide~~ (15)-relative to the bracket, during insertion of the appendage (10e)-of the endpiece, when the reel of material is being installed, occurs in opposition to ~~the~~-action of a tongue (15n)-which is connected to the ~~means-guide~~ (15) at ~~its a~~ fixed end ~~of the guide~~ and is capable of elastic deflection so as to make contact with ~~the an~~ adjacent inside face of the bracket (3).

13. (Currently Amended) ~~Endpiece~~The combination according to Claim 10, characterized in that the said bracket-(3) has a cutout (3a) to allow the passage of ~~the an~~ end of the means-(15)-guide in a stress-free situation, that is to say when there is no reel of material installed.

14. (Currently Amended) ~~Endpiece~~The combination according to Claim 10, characterized in that wherein the means-guide (15) is ~~thus~~ constructed in its closed portion and on each side of the longitudinal slot with two opposite recesses-(15p-15s), namely, an upper recess-(15p), on the an outward side of the means-(15)-guide adjacent to the bracket, and a lower recess-(15s), on the an inward side of the means-(15)-guide adjacent to the reel, and in that the recesses (15p-15s) are formed in such a way as to allow the reel and its associated specific end piece-endpiece to become oriented in an angular plane allowing escape from the a plane of retention of the end piece-endpiece appendage, and thus allow it the end piece to escape with the said reel by sliding downwards.